



EDITORIAL

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In this edition we have sought to feature how lives and situations can be changed and have been changed by God's Transforming Love.

Derek Balsdon, our former Development Worker has entitled his article: Spirit-Empowered Transformation and considers how Jesus' manifesto as proclaimed in Luke 4:18-19 brings transformation.

Matt Bird, CEO of the Global Network NAYBA, calls on churches to rise to the challenges of today to seize the initiative and to reach out in helping lift the burdens of their neighbourhoods. In so doing, they will impact and transform communities.

Anthony Boateng, Vice-President of the Methodist Church, challenges the Church to seek revival urgently through the transforming love of God. His article is a summary of his address given at the Methodist Conference 2022, 'Revival: The Methodist Dream'.

Paul Houghton, CEO of Kingdom Bank, in his article: 'Responding to God's Transforming Love', reflects on how Kingdom Bank encounters God's transforming love through God's people.

Simon Guillebaud, founder of Great Lakes Outreach shares with us in his article 'Beauty from Ashes in Burundi' some profound and incredible stories of inspirational friends who are transforming thousands of lives in the world's poorest nation.

Finally, just as we were preparing the final edits to this edition, we learnt of the death of Queen Elizabeth II. We have therefore compiled a short tribute to our late Queen featuring how she clearly demonstrated a life transformed by the love of God in her rule and reign.

Our song and hymn selections: The Power of Your Love, Love Divine, Revive Thy Work O God and O for a Heart to Praise My God, have been chosen to reflect something of the transforming work of God which is available to each one of us.

Our Bible Study continues with Part 2 of our study in Micah, compiled by Catherine Hutton.

Praying Always is compiled by our Prayer Co-ordinator, Roz Addington and provides us with a weekly focus over four weeks covering The Church, Great Britain, World Issues and The Natural World and Climate Change.

The next MET Connexion edition will be the winter edition.

Every blessing

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